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TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. F. SYMONDS, Town Treasurer, in account with the town of
Hancock, Feb. 15, 1897.

Dr.

To cash in treasurer's hands at close of last settlement,	\$ 1,338 87	
Received of Whitcomb legacy for common money, overpaid last year,	98 10	
Received of county for support of county paupers and aid to soldiers,	142 93	
Received Whitcomb legacy, interest for library,	325 87	
" dog license money,	93 57	
Received of state treasurer:		
Railroad tax,	107 33	
Savings bank tax,	972 47	
Literary fund,	87 50	
Bounty on hawks,	4 25	
Received for sale of cemetery lots,	25 00	
" of H. B. Marshall for license of pool table,	10 00	
" for sale of town histories,	25 00	
" of O. Fogg, liquor agent,	50 00	
" of O. Fogg, collector of taxes,	4,463 85	
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Paid treasurer of school district, school money,	1,409 88
" state tax,	925 00
" county tax,	897 61

Note and Interest.

Paid treasurer of school district O. Fogg's note and interest,	518 75
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Soldiers' Aid.

Paid Edwin R. Cram,	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" " "	8 00	
" A. F. Gordon, wood for E. R. Cram,	3 00	
" C. M. Sheldon, " " " "	3 50	
	<hr/>	70 50

County Paupers.

Paid L. J. Weston, board of Susan Colity,	25 72	
L. J. Weston, " " " "	28 71	
C. Fairfield, board of C. P. Parkhurst,	18 00	
		<hr/> 72 43

Roads and Bridges.

Paid M. A. Parker, agent,	72 00	
" " "	300 00	
" " "	328 00	
" " "	300 00	
" " "	42 47	
" " " breaking roads,	105 10	
" " " " "	26 15	
" " " " "	44 28	
" " " repairs on road machine,	17 85	
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Miscellaneous.

Paid Alfred Barber, check list blanks,	1 25	
Selectmen, bounty on hawks,	4 25	
Selectmen, express,	55	
C. G. Mathews, time and expenses to Concord for invoice tax books,	4 50	
Edson C. Eastman, invoice tax books,	24 45	
W. F. Symonds, dog license blanks,	1 00	
J. W. Wilds, labor and material for hearse house,	1 75	
John Scott, printing town reports,	33 00	
Selectmen, telegram,	40	
Treasurer of school district for labor and material for water closets,	196 63	
C. J. Allen, return of births and deaths,	2 00	
C. H. Duncan, labor on cemeteries,	16 75	
C. H. Duncan, piano for town hall,	50 00	
S. S. Fogg, interest on town notes,	76 88	
S. S. Fogg, care of tramps,	3 50	
F. G. Clarke, legal advice,	5 00	
C. G. Mathews, postage and stationery,	2 15	
W. O. Stearns, wood for town hall,	3 75	
A. F. Woodward, sawing and putting in wood for town hall,	2 00	
W. D. Fogg, broom for town hall,	25	
A. F. Woodward, oil and lamp chimney for town hall,	1 40	
H. B. Marshall, lantern globe, &c.,	75	
H. B. Marshall, care of tramps,	21 62	
H. B. Marshall, setting glass, &c., town hall,	2 85	
W. F. Symonds, postage and stationery,	2 50	
C. H. Duncan, housing hearse,	5 00	
Selectmen, labor &c., for guide posts,	20 50	
B. L. Talbot, returning births and deaths,	50	

Treasurer of school district:	
School supplies,	7 50
" "	53 65
" "	48 43
" "	67 85
Repair money,	25 00
B. N. Lindsay, Hubbard legacy interest,	10 00
B. N. Lindsay, " " "	10 00
C. P. Parkhurst, " " "	20 00
Mrs. W. P. Hall, " " "	10 00
Sarah E. Thayer, " " "	10 00
H. B. Marshall, care of street lamps,	1 50
G. W. Goodhue, " " "	5 00
Wm. Titus, " " "	5 00
J. P. Hills, Whitcomb legacy interest for library,	100 00
J. P. Hills, " " " " "	200 00
J. P. Hills, " " " " "	145 87
C. L. Otis, watering tub, 1895,	3 00
C. L. Otis, " " 1896,	3 00
A. Hill, " " "	3 00
M. E. Davis, " " "	3 00
J. F. Eaton, " " "	3 00
O. Eaton, " " "	2 00
A. Jaquith, " " 1895-6,	6 00
W. P. Hall, " " 1895,	3 00
W. F. Symonds, " " 1895,	3 00
M. W. Rice, damages to sheep by dogs,	2 00
J. R. Shea, " " "	6 00
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	1,241 98

Town Officers.

Paid W. F. Symonds, town clerk,	38 23
W. F. Symonds, treasurer,	35 00
C. G. Mathews, selectman,	79 00
W. O. Stearns, selectman,	67 00
J. O. Buswell, selectman,	35 00
Orlando Fogg, collector,	55 00
Orlando Fogg, liquor agent,	50 00
H. F. Robinson, school board,	31 00
C. H. Dutton, school board,	35 00
W. M. Davis, school board,	36 00
W. F. Symonds, school district treasurer,	8 00
Selectmen, overseers of the poor,	11 50
Alfred Barber, supervisors,	24 00
A. Copeland, town clock agent,	25 00
I. D. Woodman, board of health,	8 50
F. J. Clement, truant officer,	6 00
F. J. Clement, janitor of town hall,	8 19
A. F. Woodward, janitor town hall,	9 00
H. B. Marshall, police officer,	17 40
H. B. Marshall, dog officer,	12 00
C. L. Otis, fish and game warden,	21 00
J. W. Wilds, police officer,	2 00
Auditors,	2 00
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	610 82

Recapitulation.

Money received by treasurer, 7,744 74

Money paid out by treasurer:

Paid treasurer of school district, school money,	1,409 88	
State tax,	925 00	
County tax,	897 61	
Treasurer school district, O. Fogg's note and int.	518 75	
Support of county paupers,	72 43	
Soldiers' aid,	70 50	
Roads and Bridges,	1,235 85	
Miscellaneous bills,	1,241 98	
Town officers,	610 82	
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We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and duly vouched and find a balance in the treasurer's hands of seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and ninety-two cents (\$761.92).

C. H. DUTTON, }
 ALVAH COPELAND, } Auditors.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Valuation of town by invoice, taken April 1st, 1896:

Real estate,	248,305 00	
180 polls,	18,000 00	
216 horses,	12,580 00	
34 oxen,	1,335 00	
496 cows,	11,236 00	
39 neat stock,	611 00	
169 sheep,	478 00	
6,060 fowls,	2,421	
8 carriages,	560	
Bank stock,	13,528 00	
Money at interest,	3,130 00	
Stock in trade,	4,500	
Wood and lumber,	3,650	
Mills and machinery,	3,300 00	
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Total valuation,		323,634 00

Money Raised by Tax.

State tax,	925 00	
County tax,	897 61	
Repairing highways and bridges,	1,000 00	
Schools,	1,200 00	
School supplies,	200 00	
For repairing school houses,	25 00	
Interest on town debt,	245 00	
Street lamps,	25 00	
Water closets,	200 00	
Surplusage,	201 62	
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		4,919 23

Rate per cent. on one hundred dollars, \$1.52.

Liabilities of the Town.

Hubbard legacy for library,	1,000 00	
Hubbard legacy for town poor,	1,000 00	
Hadley legacy for library,	1,000 00	
Literary fund due school district,	87 50	
Unexpended dog license money,	93 57	
S. S. Fogg's note,	750 00	
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		3,931 07

Assets of the Town.

Cash on hand,	761 92	
In the hands of collector Fogg,	800 54	
In the hands of the town liquor agent,	69 21	
269 copies of town histories,	672 50	
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		2,304 17
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Liabilities over assets,		1,626 90

Funds held in trust by the town:

Whitcomb legacy for common,	8,739 86
Whitcomb legacy for library,	10,000 00
Salina Hills memorial fund,	200 00
S. Margaret Washburn cemetery fund,	100 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES G. MATHEWS,	} Selectmen of Hancock.
WILL O. STEARNS,	
JAMES O. BUSWELL,	

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Number of county paupers assisted during the year, two;	
cost of assistance,	72 43
Number of soldiers assisted, one; cost of assistance,	70 50

CHARLES G. MATHEWS,	} Overseers of Poor.
WILL O. STEARNS,	
JAMES O. BUSWELL,	

REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

Dr.

To cash and goods in my hands at last settlement,	94 30
Cash received for sales,	381 16

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Cash paid for goods,	328 75
“ “ freight,	2 50
“ “ special tax,	25 00
“ “ town treasurer,	50 00
Feb. 13, 1897, cash and goods in my hands,	69 21

ORLANDO FOGG, Agent.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONER.

M. A. PARKER, in account with the Town of Hancock as Commissioner of Roads and Bridges.

1896.

May:

16, Cr. by order,		72 00
Paid M. A. Parker, labor on highway with team,	35 00	
Darius Upton,	13 50	
E. J. Davis,	13 50	
C. Fairfield,	10 00	

June:

1, Cr. by order,			300 00
M. A. Parker,	93 00		
Darius Upton,	34 50		
E. J. Davis,	29 25		
John Mulhall,	80 00		
Laurence Welsh,	25 50		
W. Hayden, bridge plank,	11 00		
J. Woodward,	2 00		
Forsaith & Hunt, drain pipe,	7 80		
X. W. Brooks, labor on highways,	7 00		
A. J. Tenney,	90		
G. W. Upton,	4 12		
H. F. Robinson,	3 15		
L. D. Lakin,	2 00		
John Mulhall,	76 00	with team,	
Laurence Welsh,	30 00		
Fred Lakin,	28 00		
Darius Upton,	30 00		
M. A. Parker,	96 50		
Frank Clement,	10 50		
E. T. Mulhall, railing, irons, etc.,	29 56		
Otis Tuttle, labor on highways,	1 35		
Charles Loomis,	5 00		

July:

Cr. by order,		328 00
M. A. Parker, labor on highway with team,	60 00	
C. M. Sheldon, bridge plank,	49 17	
Fred Lakin, labor on highway,	21 00	
L. D. Lakin,	3 00	
Nichols Bros., drain pipe,	18 36	
L. F. Richardson,	12 75	
Smith Bros., powder and fuse,	6 38	
John Mulhall, labor on highway with team,	6 00	
Forsaith & Hunt, drain pipe,	4 50	

Fred Sheldon, labor on highway,	1 80	
Cyrus Alcott, putting up railings,	16 47	
Myron Alcott, labor on highway,	75	
C. H. Duncan,	4 60	
C. Fairfield,	8 00	
G. E. Johnson,	6 85	
Charles Loomis,	1 05	
J. A. Tarbell,	2 25	
A. B. Stone,	4 00	
C. E. L. Hayward,	50	
M. A. Parker,	17 50	with team,
John Mulhall,	3 00	" "
C. Fairfield,	4 00	
M. A. Parker,	20 00	" "
C. E. L. Hayward,	6 15	
C. Fairfield,	4 00	
C. A. Sheldon,	2 00	
M. A. Parker,	28 00	" "
G. A. and E. K. Upton, bridge plank,	9 56	
Cr. by order,		300 00
Fred Lakin, labor on highway,	13 20	
L. D. Lakin,	1 00	
T. F. Shea,	7 50	
M. A. Parker,	20 00	
Cr. by order,		42 47
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M. A. PARKER, Road Commissioner.

BILLS FOR BREAKING ROADS.

April:		
11, Cr. by order,		105 10
Paid C. H. Tenney,	9 80	
Joseph Diamond,	4 20	
William Weston,	2 40	
M. W. Rice,	85	
Thomas E. Welsh,	8 70	
E. Mulhall,	9 95	
John Lindsay,	1 20	
L. D. Lakin,	2 50	
Charles Fairfield,	3 00	
M. T. Whitaker,	5 70	
C. H. Dutton,	4 50	
W. O. Stearns,	10 00	
T. F. Shea,	4 20	
A. B. Stone,	8 65	
W. Cuddihy,	3 60	
O. P. Mathews,	2 00	
C. W. Alcott,	3 00	
C. H. Duncan,	1 75	
M. A. Parker,	10 00	
John R. Shea,	8 10	
J. W. Wilds,	1 00	
May:		
Cr. by order,		26 15
For breaking roads,	26 15	

Feb., 1897:

Cr. by order,		44 28
Holt Kimball,	50	
John Mulhall,	2 10	
C. Fairfield,	1 00	
C. Fairfield, snowing county bridge,	2 00	
C. M. Sheldon,	1 50	
C. H. Ware,	75	
James Coughlan,	1 43	
C. H. Duncan,	3 60	
M. A. Parker,	6 00	
X. W. Brooks,	1 20	
C. G. Mathews,	1 00	
W. O. Stearns,	2 80	

1895-96.

William Welch,	6 90
William Weston,	7 65
Alvin Sheldon,	5 25
Owen Boutelle,	60

175 53 175 53

M. A. PARKER, Road Commissioner.

LIBRARY REPORT.

We herewith present a report of the condition of the Town Library for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

Number of volumes in the library, Feb. 15, 1896,	3,111
Number donated during the year,	21
Number purchased,	122
Number of periodicals bound,	26
Number of volumes in library Feb. 15, 1897,	3,280

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of money on hand, Feb. 15, 1896,	314 00
Received interest on legacies,	445 87
Received interest on \$200,	8 00
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Money expended as follows:

For binding and repairing books,	16 25
Stationery, postage, blank books, &c.,	5 75
Wood, oil, freight, repairs, etc.,	15 15
Periodicals,	44 50
New books,	126 26
Librarian's services,	100 00
Trustees,	28 00
Copying,	10 00
Journey to Manchester and Concord,	5 00
	<hr/> 350 91
Balance of money on hand,	416 96

JOHN P. HILLS,	} Trustees
WM. F. SYMONDS,	
CLARENCE H. WARE,	
	} Town
	} Library.

LIST OF BOOKS—1897.

Aaron, Story of.	J. C. Harris.	823-641
Abbe Constantin.	L. Halevy.	823-655
Above the Range.	T. R. Jenness.	823A362
Actors, Famous American.	Wingate and McKay.	920-236
Adam Johnstone's Son.	F. M. Crawford.	823-654
Africa, Actual.	Vincent.	900-332
Agriculture Yearbook.		630-93
America, South.	Vincent.	900-331
Ascutney Street.	A. D. T. Whitney.	823-627
Beulah.	A. E. Wilson.	823-621
Big Cypress.	K. Monroe.	823-631
Birding on a Bronco.	F. A. Merriam.	819-124
Bird's Xmas-Carol.	K. D. Wiggin.	823A356
Bohemia.	Maurice.	900-330
Cora and the Doctor.		823-664
Canada.	Bournot.	900-338
Captain Chap.	F. R. Stockton.	823-605
Chapter from a Life.	E. S. Phelps.	819-121
Children.	R. Porter.	819-119
Chimmie Fadden.	E. W. Townsend.	823A364
Coal, A Piece of.	E. A. Martin.	500-145
Coming of Theodora.	E. O. White.	823-650
Country of the Pointed Firs.	S. O. Jewett.	823-617
Creation.	E. Clodd.	500-149
Christianity, Story of.	F. M. Bird.	900-320
Darkness and Dawn.	F. W. Farrar.	900-333
Dean Maitland.	Gray.	823-658
Donovon.	Lyall.	823-642
Editha's Burglar.	F. H. Burnett.	823A357
Education.	Spencer.	370-45
Education.	Commissioner's Report.	370-43
"	"	370-44
Farmer's New Guide.		819-115
Fast Mail.	W. Drysale.	823A351
First Person.	M. L. Pool.	823-659
Four Hundred Folk.	O. T. Miller.	823A359
Friendship.	E. A. Stone.	819-117
Geology.	A. Geikie.	550-20
Grasshoppers.	Mrs. A. Dean.	623-648
Gray Man.	F. R. Crockett.	823-634
History, American.	Tales of Roosevelt and Lodge.	823-629
History of Springfield, Vt.		900-316
History of Swanzey.	B. Reed.	900-317
History of 2d Reg. N. H. Vols.	M. A. Haynes.	900-318
History of 6th Reg. N. H. Vols.	L. Jackman.	900-319
History of 9th Reg. N. H. Vols.	E. O. Lord.	900-321
History of Franeestown.	Cochrane & Wood.	900-325
History of 7th Reg. N. H. Vols.	Little.	900-334
Holt, Felix.	Eliot.	823-606
Hundredth Man.	Stockton.	823-622

Index of Council Records.	328-70
Jack Benson's Log C. L. Norton.	823A350
Joan of Arc. Twain.	920-237
Joanna Traill, Spinster. A. E. Holdsworth.	823-639
Joint Metalism. Stokes.	819-122
Journal of the House and Senate.	328-68
Jube the Obscure. T. Hardy.	823-608
Kangaroo, Land of. T. W. Knox.	910-273
Kate Carnegie. Maclaren.	823-656
Law Report, N. H. Parsons.	340-64
Leisure Reading. Proctor.	819-126
Lilac Sunbonnet. S. R. Crockett.	823-644
London. Besant.	900-327
Love Affairs of An Old Maid. L. Bell.	823-616
Macaria. A. E. Wilson.	823-613
Madelon. M. E. Wilkins.	823-618
Maggie. Crane.	823-615
Magnificent Young Man. J. S. Winter.	823-661
Manchester.	900-329
Man's Place in Nature. Huxley.	824-91
Manual Gen. Court, N. H.	819-116
March Hares. Frederic.	823-626
Margaret Ogilvy. J. M. Barrie.	823-628
Marm Lisa. Wiggin.	823A358
Medal of Honor. C. L. Norton.	823A354
Man. R. Porter.	819-118
Metropolitan. Drake.	823-646
Micah Clarke. A. C. Doyle.	823-609
Mill on the Floss. Elliott.	823-643
Mistress of Brae Farm. R. N. Carey.	823-652
Model Orator. H. D. Northrop.	370-40
Monk of Fife. A. Lang.	823-649
Nature Studies. Proctor.	500-147
Old Fashioned Girl. L. M. Alcott.	823-647
Old Infant. W. Carleton.	823-630
Old, Old Story. R. N. Carey.	823-607
Old Town Folks. Vol. 1. H. B. Stowe.	823-637
Old Town Folks. Vol. 2. H. B. Stowe.	823-638
Old Town Pump. M. Sidney.	823-657
Orcutt Girls. C. M. Vaile.	823A355
Orient, Edge of. R. H. Russell.	910-276
Parliamentary Rules. Reed.	819-123
Pharaoh's, Fellahs and Explorers. Edwards.	910-275
Philosophy, Synthetic. Vol. 1. Spencer.	100-17
Philosophy, Synthetic. Vol. 2. Spencer.	100-18
Pith of Astronomy. S. G. Bayne.	500-150
Planet, Story of. T. G. Bonney.	500-148
Plants, Story of. G. Allen.	500-142
Prehistoric Times. Lubbock.	900-326
Prize Cup. Trowbridge.	823-663
Ranch Life. T. Roosevelt.	910-274
Red Badge of Courage. Crane.	823-635
Refugees. Doyle.	823-636
Reports. N. H. Annual.	328-69

Reports of Commissioner of Education.	370-41
Reports of Commissioner of Education.	370-42
Rick Dale. K. Monroe.	823-614
Rodney Stone. Doyle.	823-610
Samantha in Europe. M. Holly.	823-662
Science, Pleasant Ways In. Proctor.	500-146
Sentimental Tommy. Barrie.	823 633
Seraph. C. V. Jameson.	823A353
Shakespeare the Boy. Rolfe.	920-238
Solar System. Chambers.	500-143
Soldiers and Sailors, Register. Ayling.	900-336
South Seas. R. L. Stevenson.	910-277
State Papers.	900-335
" "	900-322
" "	900-323
" "	900-324
Stars. Chambers.	500-144
St. Elmo. A. E. Wilson.	823-634
Sweetheart, Traveller's. Crockett.	823-660
Taquisara. Vol. 1. Crawford.	823-611
Taquisara. Vol. 2. Crawford.	823-612
Three Colonial Boys. Tomlinson.	823A361
Three Young Continentals. Tomlinson.	823A352
Trees and Their Leaves. Mathews.	500-151
Tressady, Sir George. H. Ward.	823-619
Tressady, Sir George. H. Ward.	823-620
Truth Teller. J. S. Winter.	823-623
Under Sealed Orders. G. Allen.	823-640
Under Side of Things. L. Bell.	823-625
Village Watch Towers. Wigginn.	823-632
Western Verse. E. Field.	821-108
We Two. Lyall.	823-653
Wild Africa. Knox.	910-272
Women. R. Porter.	819-120
Won by Waiting. E. Lyall.	823-651
Wonderful Wheel. M. T. Earle.	823-645
Young Reporter. W. Drysdale.	823A363
Year in the Field. J. Burroughs.	819-125
Harper's Monthly.	805-241-242
" Weekly.	805-243-244
" Round Table.	805-245-246
Leslie's Monthly.	805-247-248
" Weekly.	805-249-250
St. Nicholas.	805-251-252
Scribners.	805-253-254
Cosmopolitan.	805-255-256
Forum.	805-257-258
Century.	805-259-260
Life.	805-261-262
New England Homestead.	805-263-264
McClure's Monthly.	805-265-266
Granite State Monthly.	805-267

CURRENT MAGAZINES AND PAPERS.

Harper's Monthly.	Forum.
" Weekly.	Century.
" Round Table.	Life.
" Bazar.	New England Homestead.
Leslie's Monthly.	McClure's Monthly.
" Weekly.	Granite State Monthly.
St. Nicholas.	Atlantic Monthly.
Cosmopolitan.	Munsey's Monthly.
Scribner's.	Art Amateur.

SCHOOL REPORT.

In presenting this annual report of the condition of the schools of the town, the Board feel that little need be said. Doubtless judgment has been rendered upon the action of the Board individually and collectively by our people, and whatever we might say would probably not reverse the decision.

Many embarrassing situations have had to be met and we have the charity to believe that credit will be given us for endeavoring to secure the greatest good to the greatest number.

It is a hackneyed subject, but the experiences of the past year have demonstrated anew the truth of the principle that only as parents, teachers and the School Board work together can the best results be obtained. No possible trouble can arise in the schools which this combination cannot bring to a successful issue. We wish the parents to believe that the teachers and School Board have no possible object to serve but the best interests of the pupils, and any aid rendered them will but further this object.

Recognizing the injustice of giving the scholars at the center of the town more schooling than has been given those of the outside districts, we have, the past year, divided the school money so as to give all the primary scholars in town equal school facilities, thus securing for the outside districts three terms of nine weeks each instead of two terms of ten weeks, as heretofore. The principle involved in this change must commend itself to the judgment of all, although in its practical workings it has caused some friction.

A reference to the posted warrant will show that the Board ask the District to take action upon three special subjects. First, in relation to enlarging the Grammar school room. This is simply a question of necessity. Several scholars were kept from school this winter through lack of seating capacity. We suggest that the center hall be taken into the room, thus increasing the seating capacity by twelve.

Second, in relation to changing the method of heating the building. Everyone recognizes the advantages of heating by furnaces in place of stoves in public buildings. This method of heating was contemplated when the building was remodeled. Shall it be done now?

Third, in relation to new floors. When this subject comes up for discussion we feel that the strongest language will be none too forceful. Every consideration of health and cleanliness demands the putting in of a suitable floor.

Herewith we submit the Statistical and Treasurer's reports for the year, all of which is respectfully submitted.

H. F. ROBINSON,	} School Board.
C. H. DUTTON,	
F. M. DAVIS,	

Hancock, N. H., Feb. 18, 1897.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PERFECT RECORD FOR THE YEAR.

Alice Duncan, Eva Hammond, Dana Buswell, Edith M. Dutton, Ida M. Dutton, Arthur C. Rockwell, Lester J. Morse, Alice M. Fogg, Louise Hammond, Ethel L. Lindsay, Grace M. Faulkner, Bertha A. Clark, Annabel Whitney, Fred A. Whitney.

PERFECT RECORD FOR FIRST TERM.

Bertha Duncan, Altee Buswell, Earl Otis, Dean Otis, Fred Ware, Harry Washburn, Ernest Wood, Cora A. Rockwell, Lawrence Mulhall, Mertie J. Hill, Grover C. Fairfield. George F. Dorr, Frank C. Dorr, Joseph Hammond, Alice May Hayward, Bertha C. Jaquith, Florence A. Hayden, Nellie L. Wheeler, Charles P. Faulkner.

PERFECT RECORD FOR SECOND TERM.

Grace Lindsay, Perley O. Morse, Alta M. Boynton, Annie S. Welsh, Herbert N. Bradstreet, Ruby U. Marshall, Percy C. Farmer, Richard E. Marshall, Charles E. Adams, Ernest L. Adams, Georgie Hill, Willie Johnson, Cora B. Cram, Helen E. Coughlan, James R. Coughlan, Joanna A. Coughlan, Bessie W. Smith, Harry Mathews, Elsie G. Rockwell.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Schools	Terms	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	Weeks of School	Whole No. Pupils	Average Attendance	No. Visits by School Board	No. Visits by Citizens	Whole No. Days Attendance of all Pupils Combined	Wages per Month
1	Fall	{ Lettie W. Goodhue, Primary	10	26	21	4	33	1150	\$30 00
		{ Abbie H. Allen, Grammar	10	28	23	4	32	1150	32 00
1	Winter	{ Mae E. Otis, Primary	12	23	19	9	52	1140	32 00
		{ Luther Hatch, Grammar	12	30	25	9	70	1500	46 00
1	Spring	{ Lettie W. Goodhue, Primary	10	14	13	7	28	650	30 00
		{ Misses Nichols & Knight, Gram.	10	17	15	6	37	750	32 00
2	Fall	Fannie A. Ball	10	18	15	7	11	750	32 00
2	Spring	Ida M. Mathews	11	17	16	5	37	880	28 00
3	Fall	Ida M. Mathews	10	7	6	4	25	300	28 00
3	Spring	Helen F. Otis	11	14	10	4	28	550	28 00
5	Fall	Annie A. Hayward	10	6	6	4	13	300	28 00
6	Fall	Helen F. Otis	10	10	8	4	15	400	28 00
7	Fall	Mae E. Otis	10	13	10	2	16	500	28 00
7	Spring	Mae E. Otis	11	18	17	4	40	935	28 00
9	Fall	Nellie M. Welsh	10	9	9	4	35	450	24 00
9	Spring	Nellie M. Welsh	11	16	16	4	31	880	28 00

No of children between 5 and 16 years of age as reported by Truant Officer, { Males, 70
Females, 53

No. of children not less than 5 years of age attending school two weeks or more, { Males, 70
Females, 55

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. ROBINSON, }
C. H. DUTTON, } School Board.
WILFRED M. DAVIS, }

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. F. SYMONDS, Treasurer, in account with the School District in
the Town of Hancock.

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Received of town treasurer:		
School money,	1,409	88
School supply money,	177	43
To pay O. Fogg's note and interest,	518	75
To pay for building water closets,	196	63
School house repair money,	25	00
From Peterboro for tuition,	11	25
" Greenfield " " "	4	50
Money in treasurer's hands at close of last settlement,	36	04
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Paid O. Fogg's note and interest,	518	75
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SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid Ginn & Co.,	48	43
" " "	3	48
" " "	3	15
Werner School Book Co.,	5	60
" " " "	7	20
" " " "	3	20
C. D. Heath & Co.,	3	34
R. J. Kimball,	10	00
C. W. Farmer & Co.,	26	35
American Book Co.,	9	75
" " "	16	87
E. E. Babb & Co.,	32	31
John Scott,	1	50
W. D. Fogg & Co.,	16	42
W. M. Davis,	1	15
" " "	30	
" " "	1	75
" " "	1	95
C. H. Dutton,	1	10
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SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Paid Harry Gardner,	126	50
Lettie W. Goodhue,	75	00
" " "	75	00
" " "	52	50
Annie Clark,	116	20
Ida M. Matthews,	77	00
" " "	77	00
Nellie Welch,	77	00
" " "	116	20
Alma Reno,	14	00
May E. Otis,	77	00

Helen F. Otis,	77 00	
" "	56 00	
" "	60 20	
Lucy B. Nichols,	45 00	
Maud Knight,	32 00	
" "	80 00	
Carrie Emmes,	25 20	
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Mrs. J. Coughlan, labor,	1 50	
A. F. Gordon, for wood,	4 00	
J. M. Faulkner, "	1 50	
C. H. Dutton, "	5 00	
G. A. & E. K. Upton, "	2 25	
T. E. Welch, "	2 25	
W. M. Davis, "	4 30	
J. S. Hayward, carrying scholars,	15 00	
W. A. Jaquith, " "	13 50	
Louis Bosley, " "	11 00	
Louis Bosley, " "	16 50	
W. A. Jaquith, " "	9 00	
W. A. Jaquith, " "	13 50	
M. Cashion, " "	13 50	
Mrs. T. E. Welch, cleaning school house,	1 00	
Rose Quinn, " " "	1 00	
Mrs. W. P. Hall, " " "	5 00	
Mrs. R. B. Cram, " " "	1 25	
W. M. Davis, sawing wood,	2 00	
A. D. Colby, " "	1 00	
W. M. Davis, " "	2 00	
F. N. Clark, wood and labor,	2 00	
W. O. Stearns, wood, glass, etc.,	1 75	
Mrs. W. P. Hall, janitor,	10 50	
Mrs. W. P. Hall, "	10 00	
Mrs. W. P. Hall, "	11 00	
C. M. Sheldon, wood,	3 50	
M. E. Davis, " "	11 50	
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SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid Emerson & Son, linolium,	9 50	
Lewis Hunt, repairs,	1 00	
Lewis Hunt, putting up shelves,	1 75	
George Johnson, repairing roof,	80	
C. H. Dutton, repairs,	1 12	
J. W. Wilds, "	3 00	
H. B. Marshall, "	1 61	
W. O. Stearns, labor,	50	
J. D. Woodman, repairing clocks,	5 00	
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WATERCLOSETS.

Paid Knowlton & Stone for 1 bbl. cement,	1 25	
C. H. Ellis, lumber and finish,	54 23	
W. M. Davis, labor and freight,	6 10	

G. W. Ball's Sons, brick,	6 00	
L. E. Newell, lumber,	12 90	
F. A. Wood, labor and freight,	8 03	
F. A. Wood, labor,	10 00	
H. B. Marshall, painting,	6 90	
Lewis Hunt, labor,	4 60	
C. W. Farmer, & Co., oil, paint and hardware,	5 45	
C. M. Sheldon, lumber,	35 92	
W. D. Fogg, labor,	11 00	
M. A. Parker, labor,	1 50	
G. W. Goodhue, brick and labor,	1 63	
J. W. Wilds, labor,	21 90	
J. F. Eaton, paint and hardware,	9 22	
		196 63

RECAPITULATION.

Money received by treasurer,		2,379 48
Money paid out by treasurer,		
O. Fogg's note and interest,	518 75	
School supplies,	193 85	
School teachers,	1,258 80	
Miscellaneous bills,	176 30	
School house repairs,	24 28	
Waterclosets,	196 63	
		2,368 61
		10 87

W. F. SYMONDS, Treasurer.

The undersigned has examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and finds a balance in the treasurer's hands of ten dollars and eighty-seven cents.

ALVAH COPELAND, Auditor.

Feb. 18, 1897.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE COMMON.

Received of N. H. Trust Co., Whitcomb lega-		
cy fund,	1,445 59	
Received for rent of horse sheds,	38 00	
		1,483 59
Paid into Town Treasury, money expended		
last year above the amount appropriated		
of said fund,		98 10
		1,385 49
Balance in treasurer's hands,		

W. F. SYMONDS, Treasurer.

Feb. 15, 1897.

TO THE SELECTMEN :—In compliance with an act of the Legislature, passed June session, 1887, requiring Clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report, I hereby submit the following :

Births registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1896.

Date 1896	Name of Child	Sex	Living or still b	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
Feb 23	John Whitney	M	S	2	Edward J Davis	Fannie M Foster	Hancock	Laborer	Bennington	Goshen	28	24
Mar 20	Joseph Quinn	M	L	5	Fred A Whitney	Mary E Shea	"	Farmer	Antrim	Hancock	33	31
April 4	Grace Mabel	F	L	6	William Quinn	Mary Smith	"	"	Ireland	Cleveland, Ohio	51	44
May 31	Hattie Almira	F	L	2	Ed. T Mulhall	Lizzie M Carter	"	Blacksmith	Hancock	Wilton	28	26
July 6	John Henry	M	L	7	Sargent M Rockwell	Lizzie E Grace	"	Farmer	"	Newbury	34	35
Aug 21	Fred Calvin	M	L	2	Joseph Blair	Rosa Boris	"	"	New York	Sharon	25	18
Nov 3	Richard	M	L	3	Almon Hill	Louise Dutton	"	Blacksmith	Hancock	Greenfield	23	18
Dec 5	William Michael	M	L	6	James Coughlan	Mary A Harrington	"	Farmer	Ireland	Hancock	23	24
				2	Michael Powers	Bridget Cody	"	Laborer	"	Ireland	23	24

Marriages Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1896.

Place & date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of Groom & Bride	Occupation	Place of birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition	Name and resi- dence of clergyman by whom married
Jan 1	Frank G Colby	Hancock	29	R R Section	Antrim	Alson D Colby	Antrim	Farmer	1	T E Cramer, Hillsboro
Hillsboro	Lizzie McWilliams	Hillsboro	21	Housekeeper	Hillsboro	Susan Whittemore	Salisbury	Mill Hand	1	S Ireland
March 24	Wilfred M Davis	Hancock	29	Farmer	Hancock	Eliza McKinn	"		1	S
Hancock	Nettie I A Stearns	"	25	Housekeeper	"	Milan E Davis	Hancock	Farmer	1	S Joseph Hammond, Hancock
April 25	William D Fogg	"	23	Carpenter	"	Ellen M Jenkins	Milton	"	1	S
Hancock	Annie A Hayward	"	23	Teacher	"	Warren Stearns	Haverhill		1	S
May 9	George A Rockwell	"	24	Teamster	"	Susan C Copp	N'rthumb'nd	Cattle Dealer	1	S Geo. E Littlefield, Peterboro
Hancock	Carrie B Elliott	"	21		Townsend, Mass	Simon S Fogg	Hancock	Farmer	1	S
June 2	Fred Lescord	"	22	Shoemaker	Keene	Laurette J Lakin	"		1	S
Hancock	Marie L Marier	Canada	22	Weaver	Canada	James S Hayward	Ashby, Mass		1	S
Aug 27	Bertell L Talbot	Peterboro	24	Physician	Milford	Nellie F Wheeler	Hancock	R R Section	2	S Joseph Hammond, Hancock
Hancock	Mae Emma Otis	Hancock	23	Teacher	Hancock	Deborah Rockwell	Greenfield	Farmer	1	S
						Lizzie Powers	Nason	"	1	S Joseph Hammond, Hancock
						Martin V B Elliott	Lawrence, Mass		1	S
						Mary J Nichols	Canada		1	S
						Peter Lescord	"		1	S
						Rosa Carter	"		1	S
						Francis Marier	"		1	S
						Flavie Sangcoen	Brookline		1	S Joseph Hammond, Hancock
						Laroy L Talbot	Milford		1	S
						Eliza A Dutton	Hancock		1	S
						Charles L Otis	Wilton		1	S
						Emma D Putnam			1	S

Deaths Registered in the Town of Hancock, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1896.

Date	Place of Death	Names	Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Sex	S. M. and Wid.	Occupation	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
										Father	Mother	
Jan 17	Concord	Antoinette Davis	66	4	9	Hancock	F	S	Housekeeper	Hancock	Hancock	Rebecca Symonds
Feb 17	Hancock	Sylvia Alcock	89	6	1	"	F	W	Farmer	Brookline	Kutland, Mass	Betsy Davis
Mar 23	"	Samuel Stone	77	1	26	Dublin	M	S	"	Bennington	Dublin	Alona Morec
Mar 3	Greenfield	Lucy B Barney	68	6	19	Hancock	F	W	Housekeeper	Pepperill, Mass	Goshen	Fannie M Foster
Mar 8	Hancock	John Newell	71	6	9	Brookline	M	M	"	Dedham, Mass	Pepperill, Mass	M Lawrence
April 9	Meriden, Conn.	Henry W Ware	65	1	1	Hancock	M	M	Farmer	Tewksbury, Ms	Pepperill, Mass	B Thompson
June 1	Hancock	Eliza Thornton	75	7	23	"	F	S	Nurse	England	Pepperill, Mass	Nancy Tyrrel
July 27	"	Abner Knowlton	89	2	20	Windsor	M	W	Housekeeper	Hancock	Pepperill, Mass	Ann Lonker
Aug 3	"	Giles C Lakin	67	10	2	Hancock	M	W	Farmer	Hamilton Mass	Pepperill, Mass	Mary Gibson
Aug 16	"	Lucetta E Newell	52	5	28	Weston, Vt	F	W	"	Hancock	Pepperill, Mass	Betsy Dennis
Sept 23	"	Jonanna T Dutton	63	9	12	Beverly, Mass	F	W	"	Greenfield	Pepperill, Mass	Esther H Smith
Oct 24	"	Mary Weston	33	1	22	Antrim	F	W	"	Antrim	Pepperill, Mass	Sally Stanley
Nov 3	"	Benj. N Lindsay	62	11	14	Peabody, Mass	M	M	Farmer	Danvers, Mass	Pepperill, Mass	Sara A Wilder
Dec 8	"	Asa Gordon	93	4	14	Henniker	M	W	"	Henniker	Pepperill, Mass	Mary Perkins
												Mary Hoyt

WM. F. SYMONDS, Town Clerk.

